

Council Identified Challenge Survey Monkey Analysis

Question 1: Are you a Member of the California Child Welfare Council?

Yes	21
No	1

Question 2: From the identified challenge focus areas above, please select up to six (6) areas where you think the Council should initially focus based on Council discussions to date.

Summary of Responses: Overall Choices

The following represents the issues that were chosen most often regardless of what number choice was designated.

Council Identified Challenge	Total # of responses	Possible CFSR PIP Item?	AB 2216?	Existing Initiatives?
• Disproportionality	11			X
• Lifelong Connections	10	X	X	X
• Flexible Funding	9	X	X	X
• Best and Promising Practices	9		X	
• Data Sharing	9		X	
• Resource Adequacy (work/caseloads)	9		X	
• Early Intervention/Prevention	9			X
• Access to Mental Health	8	X	X	X
• Transition Age Youth	8		X	X
• Access to Substance Abuse	7	X	X	
• Support for Caregivers	6	X	X	
• Improvement of Child Well-Being	6			
• Policy to Improve Collaboration	6		X	
• K-12/Post secondary Education	4		X	X
• Family Driven/Youth Guided Care	4	X	X	X
• Improved Effective Collaboration	4		X	X
• Oversight of Implementation of Existing Laws	3		X	
• Inter-County Transfers	2	X	X	X
• Strengthening the Ombudsman	1		X	

Question 3:

Do you feel that the proposed categorization of challenge focus areas is a reasonable starting point for Council discussions?

Summary of Responses:	Response Count
Yes	16
No	1
No, but my proposed alternative to the categories of challenge focus areas is (see <i>comments below</i>):	4

Comments:

These are the comments received by members (unedited):

- *There are a few solutions which are relatively easy and cost effective so, rather than prioritize them as major focus areas, they can be the high priority of a small focus group (i.e. maximizing the effectiveness of THP+ and Foster Youth Services)*
- *I don't really understand the logic but I am sure there was thought put into the grouping that I am simply not privy to at the moment.*
- *This is really a "yes, but" as opposed to a "no, but." I think the categorization largely is reasonable. However, some of the 2216 language does not lend itself to easy interpretation. For 'example, replication of best practice could cover many challenge areas. I'd argue that prevention and early intervention is clearly at the "best practice that needs to be replicated" stage. Conversely, some of the challenge areas are pretty broad and can cut across many other challenge areas. For example, child well-being is at the core of almost every challenge area, and seems a bit awkward standing as its own independent challenge area.*
- *Priority attention should be given to issues that: 1. Reflect CWC member concerns, informed by their experience and CWC educational briefings - that have not yet been completed. 2. AB 2216 requirements. 3. CFSR vulnerabilities.*